

**COUNCIL MEETING  
MAY 8, 2013 AT 8:00PM**

In attendance:

Council:

Mark McCouch

Gregory S. Nesbitt

Andrew Santacroce

Deborah Tustin

W. William Whiteside, III

Staff:

William T. Walker - Township Manager

Richard Sabol - Finance Director

Russell Dunlevy, PE - Engineer

Mary Eberle, Esq. - Solicitor

Mr. McCouch opened the regular Council meeting with a Pledge of Allegiance at 8:03 PM in the Township Building, 1025 Horsham Road, Horsham, PA. He asked for public comment and none was provided.

Mr. McCouch announced that the agenda would be adjusted, moving the subdivision and land development of 700 Dresher Road, Liberty Property Trust, 13-2-D, to the beginning. Liberty Property Limited Partnership is proposing to construct a parking lot expansion that will create an additional 134 off-street parking spaces at their existing facility at 700 Dresher Road within the Township's BC Business Campus District. Township Council was given an explanation of the project and waivers were reviewed. The Township Manager then asked about the project's construction timeline and it was estimated that the project will conclude by July, 2014.

Council reviewed the Zoning Hearing Board application for Liberty Property Trust. Council will remain neutral to the application.

Mr. Peter Choate, Executive Director of the Horsham Preservation and Historical Association (HPHA) provided an annual report. The HPHA discussed the following: the status of the Strawbridge Property, its World War II re-enactment event, an upcoming movie to be made on site and the hoped for revenue to be generated, and efforts to preserve and provide public access for historical documents. Mr. McCouch then publicly acknowledged HPHA's good performance.

Mr. McCouch asked for the will of Township Council concerning the minutes. It was moved by Mr. Whiteside, and seconded by Mr. Nesbitt, to approve the following minutes as presented: Council Agenda Meeting 10 April 2013, and Council Meeting 10 April 2013. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Walker provided the Treasurer's Report for April, 2013. He stated that the balance in the General Fund as of 30 April 2013 was \$3,701,170.14.

Mr. McCouch asked for the will of Council concerning the List of Checks. It was moved by Mr. Nesbitt, seconded by Mr. Whiteside, to approve and authorize payment of the List of Checks in all funds in the amount of \$354,806.77. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. McCouch asked for the will of Council concerning the List of Checks in the General Fund for communications. It was moved by Mr. Nesbitt, seconded by Mr. Whiteside, to approve and authorize payment of the List of Checks in the General Fund for communications in the amount of \$2,894.90. Motion passed, 4-0-1, with Mr. Santacroce's abstention.

Mr. McCouch asked for the will of Council concerning the ratification of checks in the General Fund. It was moved by Mr. Nesbitt, seconded by Mr. Whiteside, to ratify the List of Checks in the General Fund in the amount of \$25,558.95. Motion passed unanimously.

Township Council reviewed the subdivision and land development application of Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company, 600 Dresher Road. The company is proposing to construct a parking lot expansion that will create an additional 96 off-street parking spaces to their existing facility within the Township's O-1 Office/Non-manufacturing District. Council discussed the project and waivers.

Township Council reviewed the Caredean Drive Sewer Planning Module Application. William Malin, HWSA Engineer discussed the results of a questionnaire, and the interest of property owners in the affected area to connect to the Horsham Sewer & Water Authority infrastructure. Mr. Walker asked about the timetable for project construction, and Mr. Malin responded by identifying the required permit process, and stating their hope to be completed by the end of the year.

Township Council reviewed the Zoning Hearing Board applications to be heard in May and June. Council will remain neutral on these applications.

Mr. Whiteside made a motion, seconded by Mr. Santacroce, to adopt the resolution as proposed concerning the Caredean Drive Sewer Planning Module. Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Tustin - Aye

Mr. Santacroce - Aye

Mr. Whiteside - Aye

Mr. Nesbitt - Aye

Mr. McCouch - Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Solicitor Mary Eberle read the adjudication related to 945 Tennis Avenue. Mr. Nesbitt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Whiteside, to grant conditional use approval for Polisano, 945 Tennis Avenue, 13-1-CU. Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Tustin - Aye  
Mr. Santacroce - Aye  
Mr. Whiteside - Aye  
Mr. Nesbitt - Aye  
Mr. McCouch - Aye  
Motion passed unanimously.

The Township Manager explained bidding for concrete curbs and driveway depressions. Eleven bid packages were mailed and three bids were received. The bidders and the project bid total amounts are as follows: T. Schiefer Contractors (\$118,935.00), DiLemmo Construction (\$177,081.00), and A. Giuliani Co., Inc. (\$103,935.00). Mr. Nesbitt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Santacroce, to award the bids for concrete curbing to A. Giuliani Co., Inc., being the apparent lowest responsible bidder in the amount of \$103,889.00. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Walker briefly reviewed the Limekiln-Simmons Option Agreement. Mr. Nesbitt made a motion, seconded by Ms. Tustin, to authorize the execution of an extension of an Option Agreement regarding the Limekiln-Simmons School Property. Motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned to an Executive Session at approximately 9:00 PM in order to discuss real estate and personnel matters.

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William T. Walker